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In re Patent Application of: Sujal M. Patel et al.

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ABOUT DATA STORED THROUGHOUT THE

SYSTEM

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO INTERVIEW SUMMARY

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Examiner Interview of July 23, 2009, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.